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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The attached letter from Los Angeles outlines in rather extensive form the facts and background in so far as they are known concerning the killing of "Dugey" Siegel. I thought you would be interested in this state undoubtedly if you make a trip West, this case will be the subject of considerable discussion on the part of people with whom you may be in contact.

We are advising Hood by letter today that there would appear to be no reason why the Bureau should turn over any information [redacted] but that any person offering information concerning the killing of Siegel should be referred direct to the police department to report their information.

Respectfully,

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Edw. A. Tamm

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1. I think Hood should never persons to [redacted]
rather than to [redacted]
2. Also if we do get any real hard clue we ought to follow it out vigorously in view of our general interest in the gangsteristic

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles 13, California
July 1, 1947

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Re: THE KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Salt Lake City teletype dated June 24, 1947, wherein is requested complete details and subsequent developments of the murder of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL in Los Angeles.

The killing of SIEGEL was brought to the attention of this office after the shooting, at 10:50 P.M. on June 20, 1947, when [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had telephoned him.

At this time [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that SIEGEL had been shot five times; that seven bullets of .45 caliber were shot; that one bullet grazed the coat of ALLEN SMILEY who was present with SIEGEL in the living room at 810 North Linden Drive, Beverly Hills, California - VIRGINIA HILL'S residence; and that CHARLES "CHICK" HILL, brother of VIRGINIA HILL, and JERI MASON, believed to be VIRGINIA HILL'S Secretary, were upstairs at the residence at the time of the shooting. Immediately after the shooting an automobile which was proceeding north toward Sunset Boulevard from the residence had been reported seen by neighbors.

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Los Angeles newspapers, on the morning of June 21, 1947, submitted headline publicity of SIEGEL's murder, relating the following additional information:

I. [REDACTED] was sleeping at the residence at the time of the killing.

II. ALLEN SMILEY made the statement: "I heard the glass shattering and I ducked; I don't know how many shots were fired, but when I looked at SIEGEL I could see he had taken most of them."



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near G High powered Automobiles went away toward Sunset Boulevard. Another neighbor reported that he had observed strange men sitting in automobiles in front of Miss HILL's residence on the night of the killing.

IV. A tiny sticker advertisement which had been stuck on the Los Angeles Examiner newspaper which SIEGEL had been reading when killed read: "Good-night, Sleep Well".

V. SINGEL's body was taken to the Los Angeles County Morgue, and when police went through his clothes they found two Mexican gold bags, a Mexican gold piece fashioned into a honey clip, a wrist watch, and an undisclosed amount of cash.

VI. Recounts of STECKL's connection in the "BIG GREENY" GREENBERG murder were set out in various newspapers.

VII. _____ was held as a material witness by the Beverly Hills Police Department.

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Significantly it is noted that [REDACTED] advised this office on May 14, 1966 that [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] and made an appointment to see him immediately. On August 1, 1966 this informant again advised that [REDACTED] had contacted [REDACTED] again.

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SUBSTANTIATION & INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE SLAYING

[REDACTED] telephonically advised on June 21, 1947 that he was surprised to hear of the killing of SIEGEL. He stated that he discredited the story that SIEGEL was killed because he owed money to the Maffia Syndicate, headed by FRANK COSTELLO and JOE ADONIS, concluding: "You can't collect money from a dead guy". b2 b7c

[REDACTED] telephonically volunteered on the same date that SIEGEL was fighting a big force, meaning "The Unione Siciliane Syndicate", and that he didn't deserve this because he hadn't done them any wrong". b2 b7d

[REDACTED] advised that he had been present at Jack's Cafe in Ocean Park, California on the night of June 20, 1947 and he observed [REDACTED] and SIEGEL "in a huddle" with one of the co-owners of Jack's Cafe. b2 b7c

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] observed SIEGEL [REDACTED] leave the cafe, which gave out free newspapers with the stickers on them reading "Good-night. Sleep Well". b2 b7c

From June 21, 1947 through June 26, 1947 SIEGEL's death received newspaper headline publicity in Los Angeles. Many proposed reasons for the killing were set out, including gang warfare and dope smuggling; the fact that Las Vegas gambling clubs were losing money because of the Flamingo Club; that SIEGEL's interest in the Flamingo Club and Hotel drained his resources to the extent that he was applying pressure to the Los Angeles bookmakers who subscribe to the Trans-America Wire Service; that a patron of the Flamingo lost heavily betting and had undertaken reprisals; etc. etc. Copies of these articles were forwarded to the Bureau by confidential letter dated June 27, 1947.

Significantly, one article related that VIRGINIA HILL had had a quarrel with SIEGEL in Las Vegas and that she had departed for Paris, France.

On June 21, 1947 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who is known to be friendly with [REDACTED] b2 b7c

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telephonically advised Special Agent in Charge R. B. HOOD that he had been on the murder case of SIEGEL constantly and requested to know if the FBI was interested in the case. He had learned that SIEGEL had flown into the Los Angeles area on the morning of June 20, 1947.

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SIEGEL was expected to keep an appointment with his attorney, [REDACTED] in Beverly Hills, California.

[REDACTED] had been in VIRGINIA HILL's house and said seven cartridges were found outside of the window. These cartridges were of 30 caliber size. The bullets were copper jacketed, which were no doubt shot from a U. S. Army Carbine Rifle.

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The victim SIEGEL was seated four feet from the window which was fourteen feet from the spot where the carbine was rested on a lattice between VIRGINIA HILL's residence and the neighbor's driveway. Nine shots were evidently fired. Two bullets had entered SIEGEL's body through the head — one bullet came out through an eye, and a portion of an eyelid was found ten feet from him. There were five holes in the wall about as big as a silver dollar, and other bullets hit other objects in the room.

The couch on which SIEGEL and SMILEY were sitting was at right-angles to the window, with the back in line with the right side of the nearby window. SMILEY was believed to have been next to the window with his left arm resting along the back of the couch. SIEGEL was at the far end of the couch, leaning over a little and reading a Los Angeles Examiner newspaper. Apparently the first two bullets just singed SMILEY's coat at his left arm. According to [REDACTED] the killer almost had to shoot around the corner and obviously was a very good shot.

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SIEGEL'S CRIMES

The Los Angeles Times newspaper dated June 22, 1947 reflected that Chief Deputy District Attorney S. ERNEST ROLL, who with Captain W. W. WHITE headed the investigation of the murder, obtained a lengthy statement from BARNEY RUDITSKY who was absolved from having any connection with the investigation. ROLL stated that RUDITSKY's information furnished little if any light on the murder.

From a confidential source [REDACTED] b6 b7c which is being developed now as an informant by this office, the following was furnished: SIEGEL had encroached upon the activities of [REDACTED] in Las Vegas, Nevada and they retaliated.

SIEGEL had a fight with [REDACTED] two weeks previous to the killing and SIEGEL told [REDACTED] that he no longer had anything to do with the wire service and that [REDACTED] should get out of the town of Los Angeles.

[REDACTED] subsequently learned from [REDACTED] b6 b7c believed by this office to be [REDACTED] the following two reasons for the killing of SIEGEL:

A. SIEGEL had been losing money heavily in Las Vegas in his operation of the Flamingo Hotel and was attempting a recoup through his friend GEORGE RAFT and others by attempting to gain bookmaking trade in the motion picture colony. This move clashed with [REDACTED] b6 b7c who had SIEGEL killed.

B. A meeting was held in Las Vegas between SIEGEL and his associates wherein it was decided that the Trans-America Wire Service was not doing so

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well and arrangements were made to reorganize the same. At the meeting it was decided that [REDACTED] in Los Angeles would have to tell JACK DRAGNA, who was in the hospital at the time, that he was no longer to be connected with the wire service. The informant blamed JACK DRAGNA, a reported active member of the Mafia, to be responsible for the SIEGEL killing inasmuch as he, DRAGNA, was being ousted.

On June 23, 1947 [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] were recently released from prison in Derby, Kansas. While in jail one of them is said to have remarked that he had a big job to do on the West Coast and it was felt [REDACTED] that he might have some connection with the SIEGEL killing.

On June 23, 1947 [REDACTED] telephonically requested this office to advise him of any information received which might be of assistance in connection with the SIEGEL case.

[REDACTED] stated on June 24, 1947 that VIRGINIA HILL was a girl friend of JOE ADONIS in New York City; that she came to the West Coast to see Hollywood and SIEGEL was told by the Syndicate to take care of her. He added that the money which she had been throwing around belonged to SIEGEL. Furthermore, for some reason unknown, she had threatened to commit suicide in Las Vegas, Nevada and SIEGEL personally took her to a doctor. He also pointed out that [REDACTED] partner of SIEGEL's in the operation of the Flamingo Hotel, had departed to Paris, France, as had VIRGINIA HILL. [REDACTED] was of the opinion that SIEGEL had been killed for one of the two following reasons:

1. Mistreatment of VIRGINIA HILL;
2. A fight over the racing news service on the West Coast.

In the course of another Bureau investigation Special Agent [REDACTED] ascertained from [REDACTED]

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On June 25, 1947 Special Agent [REDACTED] attended the
Coroner's Inquest of SIEGEL's death, held at the Hall of Justice in Los
Angeles. Captain W. W. WHITE, Beverly Hills, Police Department, ALLEN SMILEY,
JERI MASON, and CHARLES HILL testified.

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Captain WHITE testified that the killing happened at approximately
10:50 P.M. on June 20, 1947 and he arrived at the residence at approximately
11:00 P.M. He stated that he had picked up nine 30-caliber U. S. Army
carbine shells at the scene; that two shots entered SIEGEL's head, one entering
the right eye and exiting at the left eye, the other entering the right cheek
and exiting the left neck, shattering the neck vertebra, and that the distance
from where the victim was shot to the window of the residence was four feet.

ALLEN SMILEY identified the body at the inquest and related the
activities of JERI MASON, CHARLES HILL, SIEGEL and himself before the shooting.
He stated that at 3:00 P.M. he drove SIEGEL to JERRY ROTCHILD's Barber Shop,
222 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, where he left SIEGEL.
SMILEY returned to his apartment and made an appointment to see his doctor.
SMILEY completed the appointment which lasted forty-five minutes, and returned
to pick up SIEGEL at JOE ROSS's law offices in Beverly Hills, California, and
returned with SIEGEL to the Linden Drive address. SMILEY, SIEGEL, HILL and
MASON then proceeded to Jack's Cafe at Ocean Park, California because they
had heard that the cafe had just opened and all of them were curious to see
what it was like. SMILEY related that after having dinner at Jack's Cafe
they returned to the Linden Drive address and the only stop made was at the
Beverly Wilshire Drug Store where SIEGEL purchased some camphor. They
arrived at the Linden Drive address at approximately 10:00 or 10:20 P.M. and
after being in the house for about ten minutes both SIEGEL and SMILEY sat on
the Chesterfield couch talking while SIEGEL looked over the Los Angeles
Examiner newspaper.

SMILEY first heard a lot of noise, "like firecrackers, and thought
it was a gag", but when he saw blood he knew SIEGEL had been shot. SMILEY

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said: "Quicker than I can say, I dove to the ground and immediately heard CHICK HILL, who was upstairs with JERI MASON, call down, 'what's the matter, BEN?'. SMILEY then hollered for them to call the doctor and the police and to turn off the lights. He yelled, "BEN is shot; call the police; call a doctor". He added, "someone called BARNEY RUDITSKY, a very good friend".

JERI MASON and CHARLES HILL both testified, stating that they were upstairs pulling tacks out of the carpet because they were getting ready to go to Florida. Miss MASON was asked information concerning her occupation which she stated was secretary to VIRGINIA HILL, however she was embarrassed when asked direct questions concerning from whom VIRGINIA HILL rented and if Miss MASON had received correspondence recently from Miss HILL. Miss MASON knew very little concerning VIRGINIA HILL's personal business and was very very vague. It was later disclosed by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office that CHARLES HILL and JERI MASON, who was formerly the secretary for MARIE MacDONALD, the motion picture actress, are engaged to be married.

[REDACTED SECTION]
Subsequent to the Coroner's Inquest, Special Agent [REDACTED] ascertained [REDACTED SECTION]

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Director, FBI

, July 1, 1947

Re: THE KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL
SIEGEL AND OTHERS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE SUBJECT

From June 20 through June 25, 1947 SIEGEL's body remained at the Los Angeles County Morgue unclaimed. However, after the Coroner's Inquest Dr. MAURICE SIEGEL, brother of the victim, claimed the body and secret funeral services for the slain underworld big shot were held at the Groman Mortuary in Los Angeles. The services lasted five minutes and only six mourners, including SIEGEL's divorced wife and his two daughters, were present. The ornate \$5,000. silver-plated bronze casket remained closed throughout the funeral, the body having been hermetically sealed in the coffin on the night of June 25, 1947. The rights of the Jewish Church were conducted privately by Rabbi MAX KERT of the Olympic Jewish Center at the request of the family to thwart plans of SIEGEL's friends and business associates for a lavish Chicago-style funeral.

[REDACTED] In connection with the investigation conducted [REDACTED]

it is noted that GEORGE RAFT was thoroughly questioned and as a result he stated that SIEGEL was a very good friend of his and furnished no detrimental information about his activities. b7D

Mrs. ESTHER SIEGEL, the divorced wife of the victim, was also questioned [REDACTED]

Mrs. SIEGEL stated that she was a schoolboy sweetheart in New York City with SIEGEL and that about twenty years ago while he was in the garage business there she married him. She talked freely [REDACTED]

however there was no mention made of SIEGEL's background as a "tough slugger from New York City". Instead, she called SIEGEL "a fine husband and thoughtful father". b7C b7D

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From highly confidential sources the Los Angeles Office ascertained the following:

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July 1, 1947

To: THE KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL
Re: [REDACTED] INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]

The killing of SIEGEL brought to the attention of Governor EARL WARREN the fact that gangsterism was rampant in California and he publicly announced through the newspapers that he was appointing a Police Commission to study the influx of racketeers and gangsters in California.

It is significant that [REDACTED] previously advised on July 8, 1946 that [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] and told him that he was going by private plane to Las Vegas. On July 26, 1946 [REDACTED] contacted SIEGEL and went with him to [REDACTED] Los Angeles. From various contacts with [REDACTED] ascertained that [REDACTED] had been obtaining horse racing tips [REDACTED] during September of 1946.

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Looking up unrecorded information by various local agencies may yield some heretofore overlooked clues to the motive of SIEGEL's assassination.

In connection with this meeting, [redacted] advised that he would not be present at this meeting because he did not intend to furnish information to the State Attorney General's Office.

On June 30, 1947 [redacted] advised that he had been in contact with [redacted] who stated that he was certain that the FBI in Los Angeles had much information concerning the killing of SIEGEL and that this information could certainly assist in the possible solution of the murder. [redacted] however stated that [redacted] had told him that the [redacted] had not yet requested any information from this office. b7C b7D

In view of this remark made by [redacted] this office requests to know whether any or all of the above information should be submitted.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
SAC

cc: CHICAGO
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R. B. HOOD,
SAC

Director, FBI

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Re: THE KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[REDACTED] On June 28, 1947 an anonymous informant telephonically advised that an individual by the name [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was connected with "BUGSY" SIEGEL and had trouble with him. This informant stated that [REDACTED] knew all the facts concerning the demise of SIEGEL.

[REDACTED] This informant subsequently contacted this office on the same date and advised that [REDACTED] had a big argument with SIEGEL concerning the narcotic traffic.

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On June 29, 1947

[REDACTED] declared that all his evidence accumulated in the investigation of SIEGEL's murder pointed nowhere. He said: "We have the gambling angle, the love angle, the narcotic angle — you can take your choice. Everyone tells us how much they loved SIEGEL, but it's a cinch somebody didn't".

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[REDACTED] ordered a liaison officer assigned to obtain a line on the movements of gangsters and racketeers who, [REDACTED] in increasing numbers have been making Hollywood, California a base of nationwide operations.

In a concerted move to catalogue criminal elements moving into Southern California which was precipitated in the slaying of SIEGEL, local law enforcement chiefs were scheduled to meet at 10:00 A.M. on July 1, 1947 in the office of the California State Attorney General's [REDACTED] stated that the

OFFICE OF THE CIVIL ATTACHE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

June 25, 1947

Director, FBI

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RE: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL 11-21-35 260387
MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING,
CRIME SURVEY.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 3, 1947, which advised that VIRGINIA HILL, mistress of BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, contemplated visiting Mexico City on January 15, 1947. //Referenced letter also indicated that HILL had requested [REDACTED] to allow her to use his apartment in Mexico City. b7c TDR

In view of the recent murder of "BUGS" SIEGEL, and information appearing in the newspapers to the effect that HILL is in Paris, [this stop is being discontinued] (X) 4

[REDACTED] Very truly yours

John N. Speakes
Legal Attaché

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FBI, Salt Lake City - CONFIDENTIAL

July 15, 1947

Director, FBI
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WILLIS SMITH

An article appearing in one of the Washington newspapers relates that Sanford D. Miller disclosed that he had purchased the late Siegel's Flamingo Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada, for \$3,000,000.

It is requested you endeavor to verify this information through your confidential informants and promptly advise the Bureau.

AIR MAIL

APPROPRIATE AGENCY
AND FIELD OFFICES
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Rival Buys Siegel's Las Vegas Hotel

United Press

LAS VEGAS, Nev., July 12—Sandor D. Adler, one of Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel's rival hotel owners, disclosed today that he had bought the slain gangster's ornate Flamingo Casino for \$3,000,000.

The Flamingo reportedly had been losing money faster than the customers at its gaming tables. Siegel's need to make up the losses was believed to have contributed to his assassination June 20 in Beverly Hills.

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Mr. Cohen
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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION, CRIME SURVEY

LANSKY DISCUSSED SIEGEL KILLING AND LANSKY STATED POSITIVELY THAT SYNDICATE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH KILLING. LANSKY STATED THAT HE, FRANK CASTELLO, AND JOE ADONIS WERE AS SURPRISED AS ANYONE WHEN THEY HEARD THAT SIEGEL [REDACTED] HAD BEEN KILLED. THEY RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALLS FROM ASSOCIATES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY INQUIRING ABOUT SIEGELS DEATH BUT [REDACTED] WERE UNABLE TO ANSWER THEM. LANSKY SAID HE AND OTHERS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE THE IDENTITY OF POSSIBLE SUSPECTS. HE STATED THAT THEY WERE NOT CONTACTED BY VIRGINIA HILL WHILE HILL WAS IN NEW YORK CITY BEFORE LEAVING FOR PARIS AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT HILL MAY HAVE TOLD ODONIS OR LANSKY ABOUT SIEGELS ATTEMPTS TO DEFRAUD MEMBERS OF THE SYNDICATE AT THE FLAMINGO HOTEL AT LAS VEGAS. LANSKY BELIEVES THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT SIEGELS BROTHER [REDACTED] MAY HAVE KILLED SIEGEL. [REDACTED]

QUOTE THOSE NOT HEADED SOUTHERNERS [REDACTED] MAY HAVE KILLED SIEGEL BECAUSE OF SIEGEL MISTREATING HILL. LANSKY SAID THE SYNDICATE IS CONDUCTING AN INVESTIGATION OF ITS OWN TO ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHETHER [REDACTED] OF THE

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SAYING HE WAS TO GET INFORMATION ON THE KIDNAP PLANNER
TO KIDNAP

TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED] KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT THE KIDNAP PLOT OR
FACT [REDACTED] STAYED IN A HOTEL HOUSE [REDACTED] IN LOS ANGELES ONE NIGHT PRIOR TO
SIEGEL'S DEATH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IVANSKY SAID THAT SIEGEL'S DEATH WAS NO SERIOUS LOSS TO
SYNDICATE AND THAT NO MEMBER OF SYNDICATE SERIOUSLY REGRETTED HIS DEATH
SINCE SIEGEL HAD BROUGHT TOO MUCH UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY TO SYNDICATE
AS RESULT OF MISHANDLING BUSINESS AT FLAMINGO MOTEL AND RACE WIRE
SERVICE AND BET BOOKS IN THE WEST BUT THAT SYNDICATE IS DUTY BOUND
TO ATTEMPT TO SOLVE KIDNAP ITSELF AND OBTAIN REVENGE BECAUSE OF
POSSIBILITY OF QUOTE LOSING FACE UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LEFT
LAS VEGAS BY PLANE EIGHTH INSTANT. NEW YORK ADDRESS [REDACTED]

PROSPECTIVE RETURN TO LOS ANGELES NOT KNOWN BY [REDACTED]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Salt Lake City

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
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CRIME SURVEY

DATE: July 14, 1947

~~6~~ [REDACTED] advised on June 25, 1947 that MRS. ~~ESTHER~~ SIEGEL, wife of BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, planned to have a very private funeral service at Los Angeles, California for the slain gangster. Only members of SIEGEL's immediate family were expected to attend the service and no outsiders were invited. Informant stated that he understands no publicity whatsoever is to be given to the funeral planned and that the funeral may come as a surprise to even intimate associates of the former gangster.

This information was born out by newspaper articles of June 26, 1947 which reflected that MRS. SIEGEL and her daughters together with SIEGEL's sister and [REDACTED] appeared at the mortician's office and requested that an immediate funeral service be conducted.

[REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, WAS, MISC. REBUTEL YESTERDAY
LOS ANGELES WAS ADVISED JULY ELEVEN LAST THAT THEIR TEL JULY TEN
LAST INDICATED NO INVESTIGATION THIS DIVISION AND NO REFERENCES
COULD BE LOCATED THIS OFFICE. APPARENTLY THE INVESTIGATION SHOULD
HAVE BEEN REQUESTED OF BIRMINGHAM DIVISION AND LOS ANGELES UNDOUBTEDLY
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United States Department of Justice

Salt Lake City, Utah

July 18, 1947

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ON REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
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Director, FBI

Attention: Assistant Director A. ROSEN

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL was.
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

Rebulet June 26, 1947, referring to mylet May 26, 1947 and
mytel June 20, 1947.

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Any indication that may have appeared in any of my correspondence
to the Bureau indicating that [REDACTED] may have been
apprised of the disposition of information furnished by him has been en-
tirely in error and unintentional. This correspondence has been reviewed
and I have not located any statement to the Bureau reflecting that such
procedure has been followed.

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At no time has this Informant been advised as to what action
the Bureau or this division was taking or contemplating with regard to
information furnished by him or in connection with any other matter.
Each time he has asked if the Bureau was taking any action with regard
to SIEGEL he was told that any information furnished by him would receive
appropriate attention and disposition. He has never been told that SIEGEL
was being investigated by the Bureau. The Bureau's jurisdiction was ex-
plained to him [REDACTED] and has been reiterated to him from time to time when occasion required.

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Director, FBI
Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, was.
MISC.-INFO. CONCERNING - CRIME SURVEY

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The sole purpose of requesting immediate advice from the Bureau as to the disposition by the Bureau of the information [REDACTED] was for the guidance of this office and not to be divulged in any manner to the Informant.

This is explanation
but letters ought to be
carefully worded
so they say what
is meant particularly
in such matters of
import.

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Very truly yours,



JAY C. NEWMAN
SAC

FBI, Salt Lake City PERSONAL ATTENTION

August 4, 1947

Director, FBI

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Bulletin July 22, 1947, entitled Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel, with aliases; Information Concerning Crime Survey. You advise that the above-captioned informant is not being apprised of information received by the Bureau.

Your attention is directed to the following sentence appearing in Bulletin dated July 22, 1947, entitled Vice Conditions Lower California, Mexico, Crime Survey: "Informant believed that [REDACTED] had received some information that was erroneous on his trip to Sacramento and San Francisco, California".

[REDACTED] has undoubtedly furnished information of value on criminal matters. However, it appears from the above-quoted sentence that he is being furnished information which has been received by the Bureau. This practice will not be tolerated and must cease at once. You are instructed to immediately discuss this matter with the Agents handling this informant and it should be specifically pointed out that no information is to be furnished this informant.

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Salt Lake City 1, Utah
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~~ON 11-1-95~~

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Director, FBI

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL,
INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to San Diego letter dated July 1, 1947, to the Bureau, copies of which were furnished interested offices, stating that [REDACTED] has been advised by his own highly reliable and confidential source that during the month of June, 1947, BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL had learned at Las Vegas, Nevada that [REDACTED]

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For the information of the Bureau and interested offices, it is believed that [REDACTED] is in the possession of erroneous information regarding this [REDACTED]

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It is believed that this information may help to clear up this matter.

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Very truly yours,

JAY C. NEWMAN
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JAY C. NEWMAN, 110 15 JUL 1947
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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
cc: SAC, Los Angeles
SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, WAS
MISC., INFO CONCERNING

DATE: 7/10/47
E.R.S.

As of possible interest to the Bureau, there are being forwarded herewith autopsy photos of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL taken at the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office.

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PLS NOTE THAT BIRMINGHAM WILL BE ADVISED

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

July 15, 1947

The attached was sent
to the Director by Walter
Kinchell.

The notations thereon
read:

"To Hoover

"from two top
detectives."

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~~SECRET~~

The Police expect to tie up the Bugsy Siegel killing with the Ragen killing in Chicago last year. (However, the cops do not expect to be able to put the finger on the actual murderer of Siegel). Despite anything written about narcotics, etc., the real cause of the whole thing is bookmaking and racing interests. Here's the story....

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There are two supposedly rival services interests who have the racing wire ~~interest~~ sewed up. (Also all the various 'scratch sheets'). They are the ~~Ragain~~-Annenberg crowd and the ~~Trans~~ American News Service and Publishers, Inc. The latter is run by the 'boys' from the east here, and has an office in Brklyn and one in Chicago---address in Chi is 6 East Lake St. phone Medallion 1931). Actually, the two syndicates are linked up secretly, their rivalry is a front to stop the Gov't from any possible anti-trust, monopoly injunctions...Not all the big bookmakers throughout the country need these wire services, and are charged a nominal rate---about \$75 per day. Bugsy, against the advice of the biggest 'boys' here: (ML, JA, started charging double that rate to the west coast bookies. That where the fight started !....

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
San Diego 1, California
July 1, 1947

Director, FBI

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the San Diego Division letter of May 21, last to the Director entitled "VICE CONDITIONS, LOWER CALIFORNIA, MEXICO, CRIME SURVEY".

That communication and others from the Salt Lake City Division under the same title indicated that [REDACTED]

In this connection, [REDACTED] has been advised by his own highly reliable and confidential source that during the past thirty days "BUGS" SIEGEL had ascertained at Las Vegas, Nevada, that [REDACTED]

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THIS information is particularly interesting at this time in view of SIEGEL's murder.

The Salt Lake City Division might be able to obtain additional information concerning this particular matter [REDACTED]

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DEBt or very truly yours,
W. A. MURPHY
Special Agent in Charge



cc - Los Angeles
cc - Salt Lake City
cc - Phoenix

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Phoenix

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY

DATE: July 22

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. F. A. Tamm.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Rosen.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Gurnea.....
Mr. Herbo.....
Mr. Mohr.....
Mr. ...

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[REDACTED] came to the Phoenix office on July 21, 1947, ostensibly to make a social call, but advised while here that they were working under cover on a lead which they had received in the SIEGEL case. This lead, the source of which was not mentioned, was to the effect that two short stocky swarthy Italians were supposed to have done the job and that they were brought out here by GUS GREENBAUM and were known to have hung around the Adams Hotel in Phoenix; further that they were driving a tan Buick with no license plates.

[REDACTED] advised that they would remain in Phoenix for a few days in an attempt to run this lead out, without disclosing their presence here. They said they had made a check of the automobiles passing through Blythe, California, for a short period of time immediately preceding the death of SIEGEL, and had located approximately 95 cars which could have fit the description they had.

Any further information developed through this source will be promptly furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

cc-San Diego
cc-Los Angeles
cc-Salt Lake City

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~~TO~~ :
~~FROM~~ :
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~~Director, FBI
SAC, Kansas City~~

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DATE: July 19, 1944

"BUDDY" SIEBEL - DECREASED
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

SA [REDACTED] working in the Wichita Area, has furnished me a memorandum with respect to "BUGGSEY" SIECKL, reading as follows:

Reference is made to the letter of Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLEY at Chicago, to Kansas City dated June 18, 1947, and entitled "Theft of House of Hesse Royal Crown Jewels in Germany, NATIONAL STOLEN PROPERTY ACT.

"While making preliminary inquiries in connection with the aforementioned case, Agent learned that [REDACTED] an acquaintance of former SA [REDACTED] now practicing law in Wichita, had furnished [REDACTED] the following information:

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This is being furnished the Bureau, the Los Angeles Office, and Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLEY in Chicago for information purposes. The Los Angeles Office may desire to furnish the information contained herein to the law enforcement agency conducting an investigation relative to the murder of SIEGEL.

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cc Los Angeles

cc Chicago - Attention Assistant Director E. J. DONNELLEY

[REDACTED]
ON FIELD OFFICES
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DATE [REDACTED]

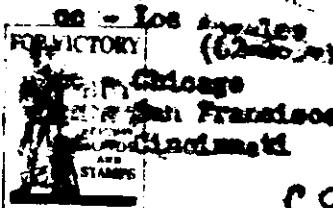
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Reference is made to the letter received above re the
directive dated July 1, 1967, entitled "Directive Periodic Re [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which indicates that [REDACTED]

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The above is submitted for general information in connection
with the letter of reference.

Very truly yours,

J. O'Leary
J. O'Leary
SAC



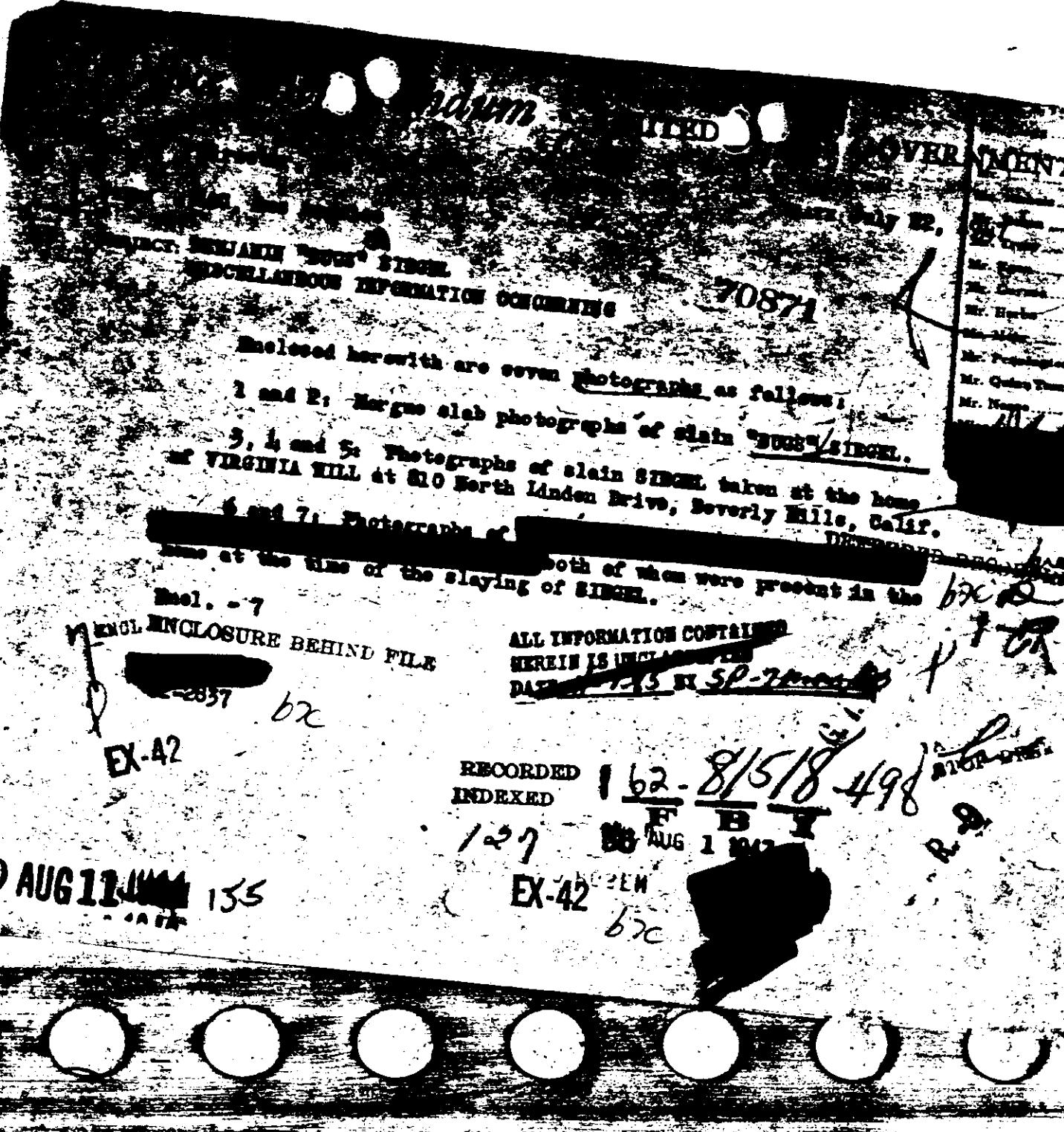
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QUOTE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT UNQUOTE DATED [REDACTED] STATES C
 VIRGINIA HILL BELIEVED UNITED STATES G-MEN IN MEXICO WERE INVESTIGATING HER IN CONNECTION WITH NARCOTIC MATTERS. FOR BUREAU'S INFORMATION IT IS BELIEVED THAT VIRGINIA HILL WAS REFERRING TO INVESTIGATOR OF LOCAL OFFICE OF UNITED STATES TREASURY REPRESENTATIVE. IN MY LETTER OF [REDACTED] CONCERNING SIEGEL I ADVISED DISCREET INVESTIGATION HAD THUS FAR FAILED TO REELECT PRESENCE OF HILL IN MEXICO.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

[Signature] Director, FBI

~~FR~~ SAC, Birmingham

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, WAS
b2 INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

DATE: July 25, 1947

VIRGINIA HILL, M.D.

INFORMATION CONCERNING

Under date of July 11, 1947, the Los Angeles Office directed a teletype to Birmingham in the SIEGEL case, referring to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] Birmingham, dated August 27, 1942, in the closed case entitled VIRGINIA HILL, was; [REDACTED] INFORMATION CONCERNING, Los Angeles file No. 62-2290, Chicago File No. 62-3114. in which teletype it was stated that [REDACTED]

The teletype further reflected that

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It will be seen from the above [redacted] may probably be considered capable of performing most any type crime and it is not known at the Birmingham Office just how far the Los Angeles Office or the Bureau may desire to follow up his whereabouts on the date of SIEGEL's demise. A copy of this communication, however, is being made available to the Mobile Office in the event it might be desirable to check on his whereabouts at Pensacola, Florida on that date.

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Under date of July 14, 1947, the "Birmingham News" carried photographs and a feature story concerning VIRGINIA HILL, copies of which are being forwarded to the Bureau and the Los Angeles Office for informative purposes. It is noted that the article states that VIRGINIA's father, a

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former horse and mule trader in Bessemer, Alabama, has recently moved to Marietta, Georgia, and for that reason, a copy of this communication is being forwarded to the Atlanta Office in the event it might be desirable to interview members of her family there.

In the absence of any further request for active investigation this case is being considered RUC, and a copy of instant letter is being forwarded to the Chicago Office due to their interest in SIEGEL, as well as the fact that the Chicago Office was formerly office of origin in the VIRGINIA HILL case.

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AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO MR. ROSEN

DATE: August 6, 1947

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SUBJECT-

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

BENJAMIN "BUGS" STEGEL

~~MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING~~

PURPOSE:

DETAILS:

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Mr. Carson
Mr. Spain
Mr. Gerardi
Mr. Harbo
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Mr. Fennigan
Mr. Quinn Tamm
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Mr. Nease
Miss Hollingshead
Miss Gandy

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TO : Mr. E. A. [initials]
 FROM : [initials] Rosen
 SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

DATE: August 1, 1947

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 Miss Holmes
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 On March 6, 1946, he was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury, Los Angeles, California, together with others in a nation-wide narcotic conspiracy case. He was formerly associated with the late Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel (Bureau File #62-81518-5-286). (c)

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 A review of the Bureau files and identification records reflects [REDACTED] b7c
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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : [REDACTED] SAC, San Diego

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
INFORMATION CONCERNING;
CRIME SURVEY

DATE: August 7, 1947

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The July 14, 1947, issue of the bi-monthly magazine "Fortnight", a California publication published at 4304 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California, carries a feature article under the heading of "Justice", entitled, "A New Mob Takes Over.....The Killing of Bugsy Siegel Marks a New Era for the Rackets in California".

This article reports at some length the known facts of the Siegel murder giving what purports to be Siegel's background and his connection with the "Unione Siciliana" and "Mafia", with CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, GEORGE RAFT, and with an unidentified narcotics ring. The article states a rumor had it that the big mob would soon be calling the turns in California with a new representative in MEYER LANSKI, pal of SIEGEL's.

In this connection this office advised the Los Angeles Office by letter dated August 29, 1946, in a letter entitled as above that a confidential source, whose reliability is well known, when questioned concerning other interests from the East who may be moving westward indicated that MEYER LANSKI was interested in the "Flamingo Club" with SIEGEL, which club was then under construction at Las Vegas, Nevada.

The above is furnished for whatever interest it may have to the Bureau and auxiliary offices.

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Salt Lake City

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

DATE: August 14, 1947

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Benjamin Siegel

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Refer Bureau Office Memorandum of August 4, 1947, calling attention to phraseology in a communication from this office which indicated that the informant might have been furnished information in an interview, and instructing that in the handling of this informant no information whatever is to be furnished the informant.

As instructed by the Bureau, I discussed this matter on August 13, 1947 with Special Agents [REDACTED] Resident Agents at Las Vegas, Nevada, [REDACTED] b7C I specifically pointed out to them that under no circumstances is any information which has come into the Bureau's possession to be furnished this informant at any time. I also discussed with them the absolute necessity of their being guarded in any conversations they have with the informant, so that no information will be imparted to him.

My communication to the Bureau dated July 22, 1947, referred to in the Bureau's Office Memorandum, was dictated by Special Agent [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and I had discussed with him how his conversations with the informant would have to be carried on with the utmost discretion in order that information of any kind would not be furnished the informant. Agent [REDACTED] I am sure, realized the importance of the situation; and although the wording of our communication of July 22, which was dictated by him, would seem to indicate that the informant made the evaluation of information which the Bureau had received, I would be more inclined to believe that this is [REDACTED] evaluation. [REDACTED]

At any rate, I have discussed the importance of this matter with the two Agents [REDACTED] and shall go into the matter thoroughly with any other Agents who might be assigned [REDACTED] so that there will be no possibility of a misunderstanding. [REDACTED] b7C al per

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, San Francisco

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN (BUGSY) SIEGEL
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]

DATE: August 25, 1947

Mr. Tolson
 Mr. E. A. Tamm
 Mr. Clegg
 Mr. Ladd
 Mr. Nease
 Mr. Quinn
 Mr. Tracy
 Mr. Egan
 Mr. Gurnea
 Mr. Harbo
 Mr. Mohr
 Mr. Pennington
 [REDACTED] amm

[REDACTED] cpl
 [REDACTED] mistakenly opened the letter and found it to contain the letter and check in the amount of \$10,000. The letter was from attorneys in Los Angeles, whom [REDACTED] b7c b7d
 [REDACTED] It is noted that this was SIEGEL's law firm.

The letter stated that they could send no more money at this time as they were losing money at the Flamingo Club (apparently referring to the Flamingo in Las Vegas, Nevada) but that they would send more money as soon as possible. b7c b7d

[REDACTED] desired that his name be kept out of the matter but felt that since SIEGEL's murder had intervened that this office should be advised. b7c

It is suggested that the New York Office may desire to make discreet inquiries [REDACTED] in an effort to determine the identity of the individual to whom the letter was addressed and whose name may [REDACTED] or some name similar thereto. b7c b7d

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cc: New York City
cc: Los Angeles

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Salt Lake City

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
 CRIME SURVEY

DATE: August 10, 1947

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Mr. Glavin
 Mr. Ladd
 Mr. Rosen
 Mr. Tracy
 Mr. Egan
 Mr. Gurnea
 Mr. Harbo
 Mr. Mohr
 Mr. Pennington
 Mr. Quinn Tamm

For the Bureau's information, on August 12, 1947, [REDACTED] of the Las Vegas, Nevada Police Department advised [REDACTED] Special Agents [REDACTED] that he had been working on a "pet" theory as to who killed SIEGEL. [REDACTED] stated he believed the person who engineered the killing was MOE SEDWAY of the Flamingo Hotel. [REDACTED] informed that it was common knowledge among the gambling element in Las Vegas that SIEGEL had been out to "break" SEDWAY, and SIEGEL was reported to have made the statement that he would make a "shill" out of SEDWAY. [REDACTED] expressed the belief that SEDWAY had acted peculiarly just before SIEGEL was killed, and that since the killing he has been "nervous as a cat" whenever [REDACTED] has seen him. He stated that for several days prior to the SIEGEL killing SEDWAY was not around town and was not at his home in Las Vegas.

[REDACTED] further advised that SEDWAY would have had the motive for killing SIEGEL and is smart enough to have engineered the actual killing; further, that SEDWAY seems to have considerable authority at the Flamingo Hotel since the reorganization.

[REDACTED] stated that he had passed on his "theory" to investigators from the District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, California, as they had contacted him in Las Vegas. He mentioned that an investigator of the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office was in Las Vegas on August 9 and 10, 1947, conducting further investigation concerning the killing of SIEGEL.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Los Angeles 13, California

August 27, 1967.

Director, FBI

Attention: FBI Laboratory

AIR MAIL

Dear Sir:

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DATE 11-15-03 BY SP-1/MR/MS

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SEIGEL
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

Enclosed herewith are three carbine shells obtained from [REDACTED] of the District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, who received them from the Beverly Hills Police Department. These carbine shells were found on the grounds at the scene of the murder of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SEIGEL at 810 Linden Drive, Beverly Hills, California. The shells are marked on the inside with the initial "I" and on the outside with the initials "A.H.K." b7c

The Laboratory is requested to hold these shells pending instructions from the Bureau relative to any comparisons of carbine guns found in hoodlum centers in the United States. The Los Angeles Office has requested the Bureau to authorize certain comparisons and will advise the Laboratory of these instructions when they are received from the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood

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The above call was made, and [REDACTED] desired to contact an agent in front of the Post Office, [REDACTED] the same night. [REDACTED] was contacted by the resident agent at [REDACTED] and stated that she wished to furnish information concerning [REDACTED] because she believed [REDACTED] was connected with "BUDSIE".

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[REDACTED] whose reliability is not known, stated that upon the death of "MOSIE" SIEGEL and the publication of his picture in the paper, she had immediately recognized him as a guest on numerous occasions during the past winter.

[REDACTED] from various statements he has made she was of the opinion he owned a part interest in the Flamingo Club in Las Vegas, and was closely associated with SIEGEL and the SIEGEL gang.

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shortly after SIECKI's death that he had heard from friends in Las Vegas that there was a distinct possibility that SIECKI had been killed through the efforts of competitors of the Flamingo Club in Las Vegas due to the fact that the Flamingo Club had offered such stiff competition to the other gambling setups in Las Vegas.

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In view of the foregoing information it is requested that the San Diego Office be advised of any information in Bureau files which might be pertinent, and it is also requested that offices receiving copies of this letter furnish the San Diego Office with information appearing in their files.

Due to the fact that [REDACTED] is completely unknown in the San Diego Office, efforts will be made [REDACTED] to identify her and secure some information regarding her background, inasmuch as she may be totally un-

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well-made and a good sound house. During the entire interview set forth above it was noted that he was extremely nervous and tended to regard things in a somewhat apprehensive manner.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
510 South Spring Street, Room 900
Los Angeles 13, California
September 15, 1947

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Rosen	Mr. Tracy
Mr. Tamm	Mr. Egan
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Mr. Tracy	Mr. Harbo
Mr. Egan	Mr. Mohr
Mr. Curran	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Harbo	Mr. Quinn-Tamm
Mr. Mohr	Mr. Nease
Mr. Pennington	Miss Gandy

RE: KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL:

RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

Dear Sir:

On July 31, 1947, [REDACTED] was interviewed in the U. S. Marshal's Office in Los Angeles by SAs [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] volunteered information concerning the slaying of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, [REDACTED] who was slain at approximately 10:45 p.m., June 20, 1947 at VIRGINIA HILL'S residence, 810 North Linden Drive, Beverly Hills, California. This information, together with this office's attempt to verify the same, is set out as follows:

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MOTIVE FOR THE KILLING OF SIEGEL:

When SIEGEL came to California in 1937, he was authorized by the Syndicate to organize the State for them and act as a front man for their various Syndicate interests. However, he was strictly forbidden from "muscling in" or touching the motion picture industry because the Syndicate already had it "set up." SIEGEL violated his orders and, when the Syndicate thought the time right, they had him killed.

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SIEGEL was not killed because he was mixed up in the horse-race wire service, or because he had a quarrel with VIRGINIA HILL, or because he owed the Syndicate money which he borrowed to operate the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. He was killed because he had gained a foothold in the

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RE: KILLING OF BENJAMIN BRUGSY SIEGEL

September 15, 1947

RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES LAFD.

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Motion picture industry. [REDACTED] control of this could be established determining who was the actual controller in both motion picture studios, and just how he did obtain the control of the same. However, he added that this could not be determined by going to the motion picture industry director.

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Informant knew that the background of certain motion picture executives including [REDACTED] and others, was unsavory. SIEGEL through his criminal associations also knew the past including the criminal connections of these executives and he used this knowledge to "blackmail and shake them."

The Informant knew that many of the motion picture executives in Hollywood have gained respectability in their present positions and could not stand any exposure threatened by SIEGEL through his associate [REDACTED]

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Rather than be faced with such exposure, which was evident, or else pay-up, because SIEGEL was losing money in his operations of the Flamingo Hotel. [REDACTED]

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The killing of SIEGEL was brought up in the interview when Agents pointed out [REDACTED] that SIEGEL was killed, no doubt, by paid killers and probably paid killers also could slay [REDACTED]

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The motive in killing SIEGEL was to eliminate him from their operation on the West Coast because he had served them their purpose and SIEGEL'S protege, [REDACTED] was ready to take SIEGEL'S place as their new top gangster. The existence of a top gangster to keep other criminal elements in line with their operations is always necessary in the Syndicate's functions.

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RE: KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL

September 15, 1947

HACKETTARING ACTIVITIES LAND.

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To date none of the above information ascertained concerning the killing of SIEGEL has been given to any law enforcement agency and this office will continue to keep this information confidential unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. B. HOOD,
SAC.

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October 1, 1947

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DATE - 7-15 BY SP/ Jmaggs

... I would like to make to your letter of September 25, 1947 in this
connection.

It appears that there are several points which are in need of clarification, and it is desired that you advise whether any further information is available regarding those items which are set forth below.

Do you think the 3rd of November 2007 there,

REVIEW, ON PAGE 4, OF THE 1990 BUDGET

While the above inconsistencies in the information submitted by the informant are not of extreme importance, they would appear to be significant in evaluating his information, since further indications are given in reference letter that [redacted]

It may be it is not so.

You are requested to clarify this point inasmuch as it would appear that any Police officer in a locality the size of Beverly Hills, California would readily recognize one of the vehicles used by his own Department.

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M.A.D. You should advise what was done in this regard and if any further information has been received concerning [redacted] in which former

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~~SEC, Los Angeles~~

Special Agent ~~Names~~ interested. It is also desired that you advise me
of the identity of the first three ~~Names~~.

It is also suggested that you discreetly contact the chief
police authority in the following cities:

If the information is required, the matter should be handled in such a man-
ner that the identities of the two informants will in no way be jeopardized.

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MEMORANDUM FOR [REDACTED]

TO: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

FROM: [REDACTED]
INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]

CRIME SURVEY - ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

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The attached letter dated September 22, 1947, from the [REDACTED] Micro Revision contains information allegedly given in the presence of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was present at the interview which is reported in the letter. The letter of reference mentioned in this communication reflects that [REDACTED]

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Bureau of Narcotics Bureau, which on September 23, 1946 had a conspiracy case against [REDACTED] and 33 other defendants, planned to recommend to the Narcotics Bureau in Washington that no prosecution be taken against Siegel since such prosecution at that time would have delayed for another year the trial of the 34 defendants.

Bureau representatives interviewed [REDACTED] several occasions in connection with the Siegel investigation and during these interviews he related information concerning Siegel's alleged narcotic activities.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN - These data are for your information.

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You file in the Bureau's stamp book, and that
including Director's Supervision.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, San Diego
SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY
(Bureau File 62-81518)

DATE: September 22, 1947

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Reference is made to my communication to you entitled [REDACTED] above and dated June 30, 1947.

I am now in receipt of a report from a confidential informant b1 which I believe should be made a part of the Bureau files. The memorandum is quoted below:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b2
cc: [REDACTED]

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To: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL
INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

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cc - Los Angeles (62-2837)
Salt Lake City

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1967

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover:

F. B. I.

Washington, D. C.

Having read your recent remarks in the Los Angeles Times pertaining to Bugsie Siegel and his criminal, scum were lionized' I wish to offer as further evidece the subtle ways they have in keeping this and his social crowd before the public.

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He is the author of the
most popular book on a
subject ever written, and
is the most popular speaker
in the country.

The day the 1900 general election was held a man from another pictures, "The Sun King," was about to be installed.

They were now silent.

together as many of the members as possible? We will close "The Hospital Club" now there all attend the opening."

The classmate relationships were renewed. Not the girls alone, after their meeting, that many of their old friends had now lost touch.

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**Study Club Foundation
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Chapman, Cincinnati and
Akron, Ohio**



Paulette Goddard
→ Ziegfeld
Graduate Who
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played in the movie version of the Follies, was to be known as the author of two murder mysteries. Dorothy Wegman, who married the playwright Samson Raphaelson, wrote a novel called "Glorified," a book about Follies life. Another book about the Follies is "The Ziegfeld Girl," by the former Follies beauty, Betty MacDonald.

Some of the Ziegfeld girls became the wives of writers. Gladys Glad is the wife of Mark Hellinger, movie producer. Louise Andrews married communist Arthur "Bugs" Baer.

Ziegfeld beauties also have made successes in business undertakings. Irene Hayes, for example, is now a successful Park Avenue florist. Gertrude Vanderbilt was at one time on the executive staff of a tobacco company.

She now has an advertising agency of her own. Beverly Juneau is head of a ticket agency. June and Cara Stephens have their ticket agency on

October 20, 2017

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I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 5, 1947.

I want you to know that I appreciate your interest in writing me and making available the information which you enclosed with your communication.

Micawber yours,

**John Edgar Hoover
Director**

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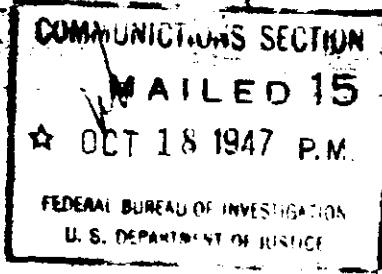
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Los Angeles 13, California
August 27, 1947



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Director, FBI

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DATE 7-7-85 BY SP-7 JMW/JRW

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SEIGEL
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
CONCERNING *

Dear Sir:

Three of the nine carbine shells found on the grounds at the scene of the murder of BENJAMIN SEIGEL in Beverly Hills have been forwarded under separate cover to the FBI Laboratory. These shells were obtained from [REDACTED] of the District Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, who previously received them from the Beverly Hills Police Department.

No specific request has been made of the Laboratory relative to what comparison is desired at this time. It is felt, however, that all carbine guns coming to the attention of the Bureau Offices in hoodlum centers in the United States should be forwarded to the Laboratory and appropriate examinations conducted in an effort to locate the killer's gun. It is suggested, therefore, that New York, Chicago, Detroit, Miami, Salt Lake City, Phoenix and San Francisco be alerted to recover carbines for the purpose of the above examination. No further action is being taken pending instructions from the Bureau regarding this suggestion.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Hood.

R. B. HOOD
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [REDACTED] b7c

FROM :

DATE: 9-10-47

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SEIGEL
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING
CRIME SURVEY

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Miss [REDACTED]

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There is attached hereto copy of a letter received from the Los Angeles Office forwarding three carbine cartridge cases said to have been obtained from [REDACTED] of the District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, who in turn received them from the Beverly Hills Police Department. The letter states that these three cartridge cases were found on the grounds at the scene of the murder of Benjamin "Bugsy" Seigel in Beverly Hills, California. b7c

It will be noted that the attached letter requests the laboratory to hold these three fired cartridge cases "pending instructions from the Bureau relative to any comparisons of carbine guns found in hoodlum centers in the United States." The letter further states that the Los Angeles Office has requested the Bureau to authorize certain comparisons and will advise the laboratory of these instructions when they are received from the Bureau.

I am calling this to your attention in view of the unusual nature of this matter. The three cartridge cases have been received in the laboratory and are being held pending further advice.

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McC. Los Angeles

October 1, 2017

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Reference is made to your letter dated August 27, 1937, in the above entitled case, wherein you suggested that designated field divisions be alerted to recover carbines for the purpose of having them compared with the three cartridge cases which were found at the scene of the murder of Benjamin Siegel and which have been forwarded to the laboratory.

An examination has been made of the three cartridge cases forwarded to the laboratory. It has been determined that the breach face, firing pin and ejector marks on these specimens are not sufficiently distinct for comparison with test specimens from suspected carbines. The extractor marks on one of the cases are also not adequate for comparison. A few similarities were found between the extractor marks on the other two cases but the marks were of such a nature that it was not possible to identify these cases as having been loaded into or extracted from the same weapon. It may be possible to identify the extractor marks on these cases with tests from suspected weapons.

It is therefore suggested that since referenced letter indicates nine cartridge cases were found on the grounds at the scene of the murder, the Los Angeles Division may desire to obtain the six additional shells for examination by the laboratory.

The three cartridge cases which have been examined are being retained in the laboratory until advice is received from the Los Angeles Office as to whether the additional six cartridge cases recovered are to be forwarded to the laboratory for examination.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO [REDACTED]

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DATE: September 26, 1947

FROM [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel

Miscellaneous Information concerning
Crime Survey

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Mr. [REDACTED]

I have had the three caliber .30 carbine cartridge cases recovered in connection with the above-entitled case examined by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advises me that the firing pin impressions in these three cartridge cases do not bear sufficient microscopic marks for determining whether or not these three specimens were fired in the same weapon or for comparison with test specimens. This is also true of the head of the cartridge cases with respect to breech face marks and ejector marks. There are on these three cartridge cases a few extractor marks, however, the marks are not sufficiently distinct to identify these three specimens as having been extracted from the same weapon. The marks on one of them are entirely inadequate for comparison and only a few similarities were found between the extractor marks on the other two specimens. There is a possibility that the extractor marks on the latter specimens could be identified with those on test cartridge cases fired from the same weapon.

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles
SUBJECT: KILLING OF BILLY

SUBJECT: KILLING OF DELAWARE "TIGER" SNAKE.

DATE: 10/8/47

Director, FBI

EAC, Los Angeles

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SUBJECT: KILLING OF DELAWARE "TIGER" SNAKE.

BLACKMAIL ACTIVITIES, LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

Rebulet 10/1/47.

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Several of the points of information furnished do need clarification, and it is suggested that future interviews be conducted with him in order to clarify some.

The information set out in Bulet 9/15/47 is set out exactly as it was furnished to Bureau Agents. More complete details concerning the operations of [REDACTED] is set out in Bulet from this office dated 9/18/47. It is believed that in each of the points mentioned for clarification as set out in Bulet 10/1/47,

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Director, FBI

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Re: KILLING OF BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEBEL

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[REDACTED]

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Regarding the request that the Bureau be advised as to the significance of the fact that [REDACTED] did not mention [REDACTED] again in this office. The exact significance is not known. However, in the opinion of SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has previously requested to know from this office information regarding the presence of racketeers and hoodlums in Los Angeles from other cities and confidentially has advised Agent [REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]